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I am writing in support of ongoing funding for the Essential Worker Healthcare Trust through SB 27 and SB 283. I fought for the healthcare trust during bargaining, because our other previous healthcare options were so expensive. As a single-income person with children, all that money that gets taken out for healthcare is too much. I am getting older and need healthcare. With this plan, it is affordable, and I can actually have my needs met. I can afford to go to the doctor and take care of myself. Before this, I didn't have any healthcare because I couldn't afford it. I have been having health issues, so without health insurance, I've had to figure out how to manage it myself at home. Funding the Essential Workers Healthcare Trust helps people like me, who don't have insurance otherwise to get the care we need. I take of other people's health everyday, I need to be able to be able to take care of myself too. Since 2021, the EWHT has provided nearly 6,000 people like me with health coverage for ourselves and our families, please fund EWHT. -Juana Del Valle, CNA, Volare French Prairie